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TAGS: OVPP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF SECRETARY'S VISIT

REF: STATE 084281

PERSONAL FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

1. WHILE I FULLY APPRECIATE PRESSURES WHICH AFFECT YOUR VISIT AS ANNOUNCED REFTEL I AM, OF COURSE, DISAPPOINTED AS I KNOW URUGUAYANS WILL BE THAT MONTEVIDEO IS NOT INCLUDED ON YOUR ITINERARY, EVEN IF ONLY BRIEFLY. EXCLUSION MONTEVIDEO EVEN MORE OF A PROBLEM PSYCHOLOGICALLY SINCE THIS NOW BILLED AS AN "EAST COAST" TRIP WHICH AT LATER DATE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A "WEST COAST" TRIP. THERE IS ALSO FACTOR THAT YOU WILL PRESUMABLY BE OVERFLYING URUGUAY TWO TIMES ON THIS TRIP AND IT IS CERTAIN THAT PRESIDENT BORDABERRY AND FONMINISTER BLANCO, WHO HAVE BEEN CARRYING OUT A FOREIGN POLPCY WHICH IS VERY CONSTRUCTIVE AND HELPFUL TO US, WILL REGRET NOT RECEIVING THE SUPPORTIVE ASSISTANCE WHICH YOUR VISITING HERE WOULD HAVE REPRESENTED TO THEM. I KNOW THAT WHILE THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN NO REASON TO COUNT UPON YOUR COMING, THEY HAVE MAINTAINED HIGH HOPES THAT YOU WOULD DO SO.

2. SHOULD THERE BE ANY POSSIBILITY FOR CHANGES EVEN AFTER THE PQBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT I STILL BELIEVE THAT STOPPING HERE LONG ENOUGH TO PERMIT YOUR PAYING A CALL ON THE FONMINISTER AND THE PRESIDENT WOULD PAY DIVIDENDS TO US. TWO HOURS TOTAL TIME ON THE GROUND HERE WOULD BE ENOUGH.

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3. SHOULD NO CHANGE BE POSSIBLE, SUGGEST PERSONAL MESSAGE OF GREETING TO BLANCO BEFORE TRIP, WITH EXPRESSION OF REGRET AND REASONS FOR NOT VISITING URUGUAY, WOULD BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED, ESPECIALLY IF SAME COULD BE RELEASED TO PRESS HERE.

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